



Online Certificate in Health Law and Policy

The online Certificate in Health Law and Policy from Hofstra University's Maurice A. Deane School of Law equips both legal and healthcare professionals with the specialized knowledge to navigate today's complex regulatory landscape. Through our exclusively online format, you'll master critical areas including the Affordable Care Act, Medicare/Medicaid, compliance, biotechnology, and healthcare business operations.

Our interactive learning environment combines theoretical knowledge with practical application, empowering you to think critically about real-world challenges. You'll gain the comprehensive understanding needed to drive meaningful change in healthcare policy, distinguish yourself as an industry expert, and create new opportunities within your specialized area of focus.

Graduate ready to innovate, influence legislation, and shape the future of healthcare through informed legal and policy expertise.

Program Benefits

- Gain specialized expertise through a 100% health law-focused curriculum, unlike general legal studies programs with mere concentrations in health law.
- Complete your certificate program in as few as eight months through a fully online, asynchronous format (meaning you can access courses 24/7) that accommodates your work schedule, with optional weekly live sessions for enhanced engagement and faculty interaction.
- Maximize your educational commitment with competitively priced tuition at \$1,485 per credit while earning your certificate from an ABA-accredited law school – an exceptional value compared to similar programs.
- Learn from an interdisciplinary faculty team combining legal experts from ABA-approved Hofstra Law School and healthcare practitioners from Northwell Health, New York's largest health system, for both theoretical depth and real-world application.
- Should you wish to continue for an advanced degree, you can apply your earned credits toward the Master of Arts (for non-lawyers) or Master of Laws (for lawyers) in Health Law and Policy programs.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- 9 credits
- 100% online, asynchronous courses
- Can be completed in eight months
- Three start dates – fall, spring, or summer

Admissions Requirements

- A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university or the equivalent from an institution outside the United States
- Completed [application form](#)
- Resume or curriculum vitae (CV)
- Personal statement indicating your interest in pursuing a graduate degree in health law and policy
- Academic transcripts
 - Official transcript(s) from each institution attended since high school. Unofficial transcripts may be used for admissions decision-making (Hofstra University reserves the right to require that accepted students submit official transcripts prior to matriculating).
 - Institutions must send hard-copy, sealed transcripts directly to the admissions office. These arrangements can be made via the online application portal, GradCAS.
- Letters of recommendation (recommended, but not required)
 - Letters of recommendation need to be from individuals qualified to comment on your ability to complete graduate study successfully. Employers, supervisors, and former instructional faculty members are suitable references.
- If your academic training was in a language other than English, you must present a recent score from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).
- There is no LSAT, GMAT, or GRE required to apply.



Tuition

Our competitive rates offer you the best cost for a niche legal education taught by expert faculty.

Online Certificate	2025-2026 Academic Year
Cost Per Credit Hour	\$1,485 x 9 Credits
Total Estimated Tuition	\$13,365

An \$85-per-semester technology fee will be added to the overall cost of attendance for part-time students.

Program costs are subject to change annually.

The Curriculum

The online Certificate in Health Law and Policy program consists of two core courses and two electives. Successful graduates of the program must complete 9-11 credits with a minimum overall grade point average of 3.0.

Core Courses:

LAW 2993 Introduction to the American Legal System **2 CREDITS**

LAW 3884 Health Law **3 CREDITS**

Choose from any of the following elective courses:

LAW 2909 Medicare and Medicaid Law **2 CREDITS**

LAW 3734 Bioethics and the Law **3 CREDITS**

LAW 2832 Law of Medical Product Discovery, Development, and Commercialization **2 CREDITS**

LAW 3500 Business Transactions in Healthcare **3 CREDITS**

LAW 2855 Public Health Law, Policy, and Ethics **3 CREDITS**

LAW 2511 The ADA: Statutory Interpretation **2 CREDITS**

LAW 2491 Representing Healthcare Providers **2 CREDITS**

LAW 3502 Healthcare Compliance **3 CREDITS**

Advance Your Career With Specialized Health Law Expertise

Build practical skills through a theory-meets-application approach, combining legal expertise with real-world healthcare experience from industry professionals.

To learn more about the online advanced certificate program, contact an admissions outreach advisor at [\(516\) 200-3146](tel:5162003146) or onlinelawdegree@hofstra.edu.